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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE #17

APPLICANT(S): Masternak et al.

APPLICATION NUMBER: 09/840,243

EXAMINER: Amy M. DeCloux, Ph.D. JMW

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ART UNIT: 1644

FOR: *NEW TRANSCRIPTION FACTOR OF MHC CLASS II GENES,  
SUBSTANCES CAPABLE OF INHIBITING THIS NEW TRANSCRIPTION  
FACTOR AND MEDICAL USES OF THESE SUBSTANCES* 7/11/03

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a two month extension of time to respond to the October 1, 2002, Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before January 1, 2003. A check in the amount of \$200.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Attorney Ref. No. 23135-510 (NOV-10). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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